

Aug 270

Claudius II was deified without
opposition

270-275

Aurelian was emperor

270-275

Aurilian was superb.

270-275 A.D.

Aurelian was emperor.

Born c 212 - Died 275 A.D

Aurelian had reigned only 6 years when he was succeeded by PROBUS (276-282) (died 282)

(Two short reigns omitted)

Was followed by CARUS in association with his sons CARINUS and NUMERIAN. They lasted less than three years

and the government next fell
to DIOCLETIAN (A.D. 284)

C 270 - 275

DURANT

Aurelius lowered the silver
content of the denarius to 75%
of Republic times.

270-275

DURANT

Aurelian, emperor

270

Claudius dies of the plague.
Aurelian is emperor.

Treaty establishing Goths
as allies in Dacia.

Aurelian, a great warrior,
becomes emperor

270 AD

Quintillus succed Gothicus

270 AD

AURELIANUS succeeded Quintillus

270-275 reigned
born AD 215

275 died:
Murdered - military
conspiracy

AURELIAN became Roman emperor
in death (270) of CLAUDIUS II. Coming from
a family of modest means, he rose
through the ranks to be appointed
commander in chief of the Balkan
Army by CLAUDIUS II.

272 - He recovered Syria from PALMYRA
captured Queen ZEENOBIA

274 - Reclaimed several western provinces
from the rival emperors or the independent

Sallic Empire.

Aurelian also began construction of
the wall around Rome

275 He was murdered as result of
military conspiracy.

270 - 275 AD

AURELIAN

To the world the death of Claudius mattered little, because his successor was an even greater ruler. AURELIAN (270-275) was an ILLYRIAN peasant, who had risen from the ranks to the high military commands. The achievements of his reign of less than 5 yrs rival those of the first Caesar. He reorganized the army and restored the Empire. The barbarians were driven back beyond the Rhine and the Danube. Gaul which for some years had become virtually

a separate kingdom was recovered. ZENOBI, the great Queen who had set up a rival Arabian empire at PALMYRA, was brought captive to Rome. Prosperity began to return; but death snatched away the Emperor, just when he was ready to take up the work of civil reform. Once in this reign, the AL EMANNI, a German people, penetrated to the Po, and threw all Italy into a panic. When they had been repulsed Aurelian built walls about Rome. Since Hannibal's day, that proud capital had feared no invader and had spread out far beyond her earlier limits. The new walls of Aurelian needful & grand as the work was, were a symbol of a new age.

270AD-275AD

Emper Aurelian "restituta
orbis"

270-275 *reign*

born 212 died 275

AURELIAN - Was designated by
CLAUDIUS II

Sept 270

Power passed briefly to younger brother
of Claudius II — QUINTILLIUS, who
became emperor in Sept 270. He
had been left at AQUILEIA and entrusted
with the defence of northern Italy while
Claudius II was dealing with the Goths.
His reign lasted a couple of months or 17 days,
for the Danube legions declared in favour
of Aurelianus, commander of the cavalry;

whereupon Quintillus, despairing of success,
called for a doctor to open his veins and
took his own life, without having
started from Agalecia

AD 270 Feb. 24, 270

In Rome, Valentin had enraged mad emperor Claudius II, who had issued an edict forbidding marriage. Claudius felt that married men made poor soldiers, because they were loath to leave their families for battle. The empire needed soldiers, so Claudius, never one to fear unpopularity, abolished marriage.

Valentine, bishop of INTERAMNA, invited young lovers to come to him in secret, where he joined them in the sacrament of matrimony.

Claudius learned of this "friend of lovers" and had the bishop brought to the palace. The emperor, impressed with the young priest's dignity and conviction, attempted to convert him to the Roman gods, to save him from otherwise certain execution. Valentine refused to renounce Christianity and imprudently attempted to convert the emperor. On Feb. 24, 270, Valentine was clubbed, stoned, then beheaded.

270AD

Marcomanni Advance across
the Danube

Sept 270 + to 271

Aurelian spent the winter in Rome,